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PORTO RICO.**Plague Situation.**

From July 2 to 11 cases of plague have been reported in Porto Rico as follows: July 3, 1 case at San Juan; July 4, 1 case at Santurce; July 8, 1 case at San Juan and 1 case at Santurce; July 10, 1 case at San Juan.

The totals of reported cases and deaths to July 11 are as follows: San Juan, 24 cases, 16 deaths; Santurce, 7 cases, 3 deaths; Carolina, 2 cases, 2 deaths; Arroyo, 1 case, 1 death, making in all 34 cases of plague with 22 deaths in Porto Rico from the time of the occurrence of the first diagnosed case, June 14. Infected rats have been found in San Juan, Santurce, and Carolina.

As referred to in last week's issue of the Public Health Reports, pages 1089 and 1090, the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service is carrying on the work of plague eradication in cooperation with the Porto Rican department of sanitation, and Passed Asst. Surg. R. H. Creel has been put in charge. A division of the work has been made as follows:

WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION OF PORTO RICO.

1. Collection and disposal of garbage.
2. Maintenance of isolation and refugee camps.
3. Maintenance of isolation hospital.
4. Inspection of dead and cases of suspicious sickness.
5. Autopsy of bodies in cases of suspicious deaths, this to be done together with the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service representatives.
6. Condemnation and destruction of infested houses when necessary.
7. Disinfection of houses.
8. Enforcement of rat-proofing regulations when legal proceedings are necessary.
9. The provision of necessary office and laboratory buildings.
10. The provision of necessary transportation facilities.

WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE.

1. To supply officers to take special charge of the plague work.
2. The catching and poisoning of rats and general supervision of rat-proofing of premises and buildings; also laboratory examination of rodents.
3. The payment of the salaries of the field force, laboratory force, and office force.
4. The supervision of the source, storage, and shipping of outgoing freight.

QUARANTINE PROTECTION TO OTHER COUNTRIES.

Passed Asst. Surg. Grubbs, chief quarantine officer of Porto Rico, reported, June 28, that a request had been received from the quarantine officer at Habana asking that outgoing quarantine precautions be enforced on all vessels destined for Cuba, and that, in compliance with this request and for the protection of others, outgoing quarantine precautions were being carried out on vessels destined for Cuba and also for other foreign ports.

TRINIDAD, WEST INDIES.**Plague Summary.**

Consul Hale reports June 20 as follows regarding the occurrence of plague in Trinidad:

In 1910 there were nine cases of plague reported in Trinidad, the first case being February 18, and the last one July 12. Seven of these occurred during the months of April and May at Tacarigua, 10 miles from Port of Spain. This was an outbreak among coolie